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Electric Boat Yard of General Dynamics Corporation.

Launching Ceremonies of the U.S.S. Nautilus, First Atomic Submarine.

Commander Edward L Beach, USN, Naval Aide to the President gives the word as he feels the submarine slip down the ways, and the First Lady, Mrs Dwight D. Eisenhower, smashes the silver sheathed bottle of Champagne over the bow and says: "I christen thee, U.S.S. Nautilus."

Shying away from the "splash" at left is Mr John Jay Hopkins, Chairman of the Board & President of General Dynamics Corporation.

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